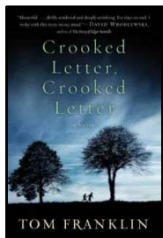


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a book discussion group for adults

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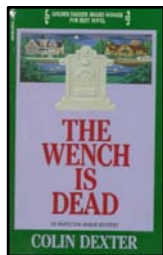
March 12, 2012



Crooked Letter, Crooked Letter by Tom Franklin

Rural Mississippi in the 1970s was rife with racial tension, but skin color didn't matter to boyhood companions Silas Jones and Larry Ott. Silas, the son of a poor, single black mother, and Larry, the child of white lower-middle-class parents, were both outsiders, and became close friends. One night a pretty local girl went on a date with Larry to the drive-in movies and was never heard from again. No body was found and Larry never confessed, but that didn't keep the townspeople from suspecting him. Estranged from his friend, Silas headed off to college, returning 20 years later to take a job as town constable. He avoids Larry, who has settled into a lonely existence as a mechanic, unable to escape the relentless whispers and dirty looks. The disappearance of another girl brings the former friends back together, forcing them to confront buried secrets and dark truths.

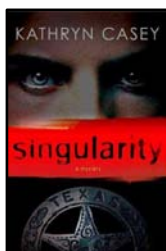
April 9, 2012



The Wench is Dead by Colin Dexter

Despite being bedridden with an ulcer, the idiosyncratic Inspector Morse is determined to solve a century-old murder for which two innocent men were hanged. Morse becomes interested in the 1859 drowning of Joanna Franks as she was traveling on the Oxford Canal; he enlists the aid of another patient's librarian daughter as researcher, and sends his shrewd young sidekick, Sergeant Lewis, to poke into musty police-files and evidence lockers to uncover clues to the truth.

May 14, 2012



Singularity by Kathryn Casey

A single mother and one of the few female Rangers in Texas history, Sarah Armstrong becomes embroiled in one of the most dangerous and complicated cases of her career when she investigates the brutal killings of one of the state's wealthiest businessmen and his alleged mistress. The Houston detective assigned to the case thinks that the man's wife hired a hit man. Sarah disagrees and, with the assistance of FBI agent David Garrity, goes after the truth.

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